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 Gilpin & Co., Foochow; THOMPSON &  
 CO., Canton; H. FONG & CO., Mac-  
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## OFFICIAL NOTIFICATIONS.

It is hereby notified that, until further orders, the *China Mail* and *Overland China Mail* will be the official medium of all Notifications proceeding from Her Britannic Majesty's Consulate at Canton, British Consulate, Canton, April 16, 1868.

D. B. ROBERTSON, Consul.

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R. SWINHOE, Consul.

## ARRIVALS.

real Chateau Margaux,  
 Haut Brion,  
 L'Espresso Duroc,  
 Hennessy's and Martel's in  
 cases.  
 1 PORTER in bottle,  
 (Plate) in kegs.  
 Also,  
 of Iron COLUMNS, Yellow  
 28 oz. with NAILS.

DOUGLAS LAPEAK & CO.,  
 December 11, 1867.

CHAMPAGNE,  
 CRISTAL NOIRE,  
 only Champagne awarded the  
 First Class at the Paris Exhibi-

SANDER & CO.,  
 February 27, 1868.

FOR SALE,  
 of very superior SHERRY,  
 cased ex "Channel Queen,"  
 interior Amontillado SHERRY  
 3 doz. cases.  
 exterior Oloroso SHERRY in 3  
 doz. cases.  
 Extra Superior SHERRY in 2  
 doz. cases.  
 Interior cases (cased). Superior  
 Oloroso SHERRY.

BB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
 January 27, 1868.

MAS NOVELTIES  
 by  
 GRAWFORD & CO.,  
 S and Wedding CAKES,  
 Orange, Vanilla, Ratafia, etc.,  
 JELLS, Rimmel's ROSE WATER,  
 RS, Slices of BONBONS,  
 CAVIARE,  
 GS & Brown MUSCATELL,  
 BONS, Carlsbad WAFERS,  
 SICOTS, Assorted Dessert,  
 LVV. Truffled CHICKENS,  
 BANS, Potted Sennet SAL-  
 d Reindeer's TONGUES, in  
 PE, and  
 ORNAMENTS,  
 ES, GRAPHOSCOPES,  
 Transparent VIEWS,  
 ENDARS, Novel DICKS, and  
 T NOIR,  
 THERMOMETERS, Astro-  
 SCOPE, Counter BAGS,  
 CASES, Meerschaum PIPES,  
 CASES, December 9, 1867.

TAG HOTEL STORES,  
 10, QUEEN'S ROAD,  
 just Launched.  
 THE COTBED,  
 AMS, SALT,  
 CUREANTS,  
 sperry VINEGAR,  
 MUSTARD,  
 BLACKING,  
 NYD.  
 TOM.  
 16 in pint.  
 CHEESE,  
 HAMS,  
 EDMUND HOLMES,  
 January 9, 1868.

RE LANDED  
 Steamer "CHINA,"  
 ACKEREL in kites,  
 LMON, " by the pound,  
 " in dozen cases,  
 10 lb. tins.

ING in bottles.  
 THOS. HUNT & CO.,  
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## Insurances.

**SUN FIRE OFFICE.**  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Office, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, on the usual Terms and Conditions. Risks will also be accepted at the following Ports:

Canton, by Messrs DEACON & Co.  
Macao, " E. L. LANCA, Esq.  
Amoy, " Messrs BOYD & Co.  
Fuhchow, " Messrs KINNEAR & Co.  
Full particulars of Rates, &c., may be obtained on application to,

ADAM SCOTT & Co. Agents,  
Hongkong, May 22, 1868.

## GUARDIAN FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM FOR ATTACHED and Semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from the Town, and their Contents, 1 per cent. Other Dwelling Houses, used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1 per cent. Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their Contents, 1 per cent. ALFRED WILKINSON & Co. Agents, Hongkong, October 19, 1868.

## LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.) CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Costs in Matsheads, on Goods on board Vessels, and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information apply to,

ARTHUR KARBERG & Co.  
Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1868.

## SAMARANG SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAMARANG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Macao for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks at the current Rates.

RAYNAL & Co.  
Macao, Aug. 4, 1868.

## MERCHANTS' MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO.

Paid Up CAPITAL, \$500,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and China for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies at Current Rates.

OLYPHANT & Co.  
Hongkong, August 3, 1868.

## NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM FOR ATTACHED and semi-detached Dwelling-Houses removed from Town, and their Contents, 1 per cent.

Other Dwelling-Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1 per cent. per annum.

Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their Contents, 1 per cent. per annum.

GILMAN & Co.  
Agents North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

Hongkong, March 9, 1868.

## SHORT PERIOD RATES.

NOT exceeding one month, 1/2 of the annual rate.

Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 months, 1/2 " "

Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 months, 1/2 " "

Above 6 months, and not exceeding 12 months, 1/2 its annual rate.

GILMAN & Co.  
Agents North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

Hongkong, August 8, 1868.

## NORTH BRITISH &amp; MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Act of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

ACCUMULATED FUNDS £2,233,927.

ANNUAL REVENUE £207,203.

THE Undersigned Agents at Hongkong for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same.

GILMAN & Co.  
Hongkong, June 21, 1868.

## ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1838.  
CAPITAL, £500,000.

Managing Agents in China—Messrs. AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Hongkong, Medical Referees—J. IVOR MURRAY, Esq., M.D.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Managing Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept risks and issue Policies on Life Assurances.

For further particulars, forms of proposals, &c., apply to

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.  
Managing Agents in China.

Hongkong, June 1868.

## JOEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

LONDON.  
Incorporated 1859.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Marine risks and issue Policies at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.  
Hongkong, June 1868.

## THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Corporation are prepared to grant Fire and Marine Insurances on the usual Terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, December 26, 1867.

## Insurances.

## THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL—TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above named Company are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, either at this Port, or at Macao, Canton or Whampoa, to the extent of £15,000, in any one Risk upon Buildings or Merchandise, on the usual terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, June 8, 1867.

## MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION STERLING.

THE DIRECTORS have the pleasure to announce the appointment of Messrs Holliday, Wise & Co. as agents for the Company at Hongkong, Shanghaia, Canton, Hankow, and Fuhchow who are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates and of whom all useful information may be obtained.

By Order of the Board.

JAS. B. NORTHCOTT, Secretary.

## REDUCTION OF RATES.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Short period Risks at the following Reduced Scale, viz.:

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/2 of the annual rate.

Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 1/2 do.

Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 1/2 do.

Above 6 months and not exceeding 12 months, 1/2 do.

Above 12 months, 1/2 do.

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## THE CHINAMAIL.

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## Miscellaneous.

To see this omission repaired in time. With the exception of the timeliness of the paper, the work is very creditable to us; and we have sincere pleasure in acknowledging the authors and publishers deserve merit of their admirable performance.

*Englishman (Calcutta)* of June 8—celebrated volumes of the French on China, and Sir Rutherford's account of Japan are, no doubt of a far higher class than ours; but for practical utility, of locomotion, trading and many of the places coming with us, *The Treaty Ports of China* by Messrs Mayers, Dennis and others, is far better. It is difficult to what class of books to place it, as it describes, aided by the extracts which accompany it, the life of Chinese—than any of the works that have preceded it. We have had enough for any one about to visit, or for those who have been to the country described, to obtain not only most valuable, but many useful hints.

AND FRIENDS:  
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CHINA AND JAPAN.  
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National and Literary Men,  
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East generally;  
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£6 PER ANNUM.

## News of the Press.

*New Times*, Mar. 1868.)  
this week, a review of some correspondence which has appeared in our columns, an extract from "Notes and Queries" on Japan, "on the subject of which we particularly recommend to our contributors as some reliable facts; in connection with the 'Notes' is peculiar for bringing to light valuation in respect to this country, people, language, and inasmuch as it will be as warm as it deserves by the numerous energetic men, who are now, especially to the philological Secretary Wade, making rapid acquisition of the languages of the devoted missionaries already grown grey in their service to which they have given

of North China Branch of Royal Asiatic Society.

March 1868.)  
icals which are likely to be of value also been communicated at Foochow and is called "Recorder," and the other in Hongkong and is called "Advertiser." It is intended to serve as a medium of intercommunication for persons in Chinese Philology, Geography, etc. These indications of life are perhaps the most important of the time." They have been our record, for they are all means of mutual understanding one which seems so hard to establish Europe and China.

(Recorder, May 17, 1867.)  
in possession of the fourth Notes and Queries on China.  
In saying that the present in interest and importance is, we have already said a favor. Our knowledge of the country has hitherto been so limited, entombed as it is in works, in different languages, in point of time, over centuries, that some means must be found, from whence over and over again desired to be desired. "Notes and Queries" is the best medium of intercommunication on other subjects of interest with the far East, we appearance of "Notes and Queries." We need only add that of convenient size, is carried Mr. N. B. Dennis, and is low price of \$4 per annum; thus, we trust that "Notes and Queries" will meet with success. Philologists, China and scientific men ought gratulate themselves, "the Notes and Queries," as it is a medium of communication notice what otherwise might remain buried in themselves, and Officialism have got science and Philology their, and Missionaries their various divisions of material work in this land ought to be done; for our part we are glad to find that both on account and instruction they they supply to the foreign community in

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(Recorder, May 2, 1867.)  
we received the first number of a set of eight pages entitled "Notes on China and Japan," able and interesting information on China, together with various queries for future consideration, and stated that the author, and stated that the work of its contributions, we received with eager attention, as throwing light upon the laws of the various provinces of the people.

## Post-Office Notifications.

## MAILS BY THE "BEHAR."

The Contract Packet "BEHAR" will be dispatched with the usual Mails for Europe, &c., on WEDNESDAY, the 25th Mar., at 7 A.M., and the Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Letters for Registration, Newspapers, Books, &c., until 9 P.M. on the 24th Mar.; Letters, &c., on the 25th Mar., until 5 A.M. on the following morning.

All Letters posted between 5 and 6 A.M. on the 25th Mar. will be chargeable, in addition to the usual postage, with a Late Fee of 18 cents.

The last time for posting Letters at this Office is 6 A.M. for Newspapers, Books, or Patterns 5 A.M. on the 26th Mar.

Further, late letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom will be posted on board the Packet from 6.30 to 6.00 A.M. on payment of a late fee of 48 cents each, in addition to the postage, after which no Letters can be received.

Sealed Boxes containing the correspondence of Box Holders will be received at the window set apart for the purpose, on the East Side of the building. All correspondence for places to which payment is compulsory must be prepaid in Hongkong Postage Stamps.

Immediately-stamped Letters addressed to the United Kingdom will be sent on, charged with a fine of One Shilling in addition to the postage.

Letters posted after 6 A.M. on the 26th Mar. will not be forwarded unless the Late Fee will be paid.

Letters insufficiently stamped or unaddressed to places to which they can be forwarded unpaid, will be opened and returned to the writers as early as possible, but no guarantees can be given that such Letters, if posted after 9 P.M. on the 24th Mar., will be returned until after the mail is closed.

Postage Stamps should be placed on the upper right-hand corner of the correspondence, except in cases where they may be used in payment of "Late Fees," when the Stamp or Stamps representing the late fee should be placed on the lower left-hand corner.

All transactions in fractional parts of a Dollar will be conducted in the Coins prescribed by Ordinance, 1, of 1864, and the Proclamation of the 22nd January, 1864, and no other Coins, but those therein specified will either be received or given in change as fractional parts of a Dollar.

Payment for Postage Stamps must be made in the current Dollars of the Colony or Bank Notes.

F. W. MITCHELL,  
Postmaster General.  
General Post-Office.  
Hongkong, March 12, 1868.



## Intimations.

## GEORGE GLASSE,

(FIVE YEARS MANAGER TO KINGSFORD & CO., PICCADILLY, LONDON, AND 28, PLACE VENDOME, PARIS)

## ENGLISH AND FOREIGN CHEMIST

## VICTORIA DISPENSARY,

## HONGKONG.

## SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS

## SUPPLIED &amp; REFITTED.

## Hongkong, May 1, 1868.

## Mr WILLIAM GASKELL,

## ATTORNEY, SOLICITOR, PROCTOR

## AND NOTARY PUBLIC.

REMOVED to No. 2, CLUB CHAMBERS  
D'AGUILAR Street.  
Opposite Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, August 28, 1866.

## TO HOUSE-KEEPERS &amp; SHIP

## MASTERS.

PATTERSON & HANDLEY,  
House and Ship Plumbers, Copper  
and Zinc Workers, and Gas Fitters,  
16, Queen's Road West, and  
Adesong's Yard, Praya West,  
Hongkong, November 4, 1867.

## BOWRA &amp; CO.,

AUCTIONEERS, SHIP CHANDLERS, SAIL-  
MAKERS, WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,  
AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS,  
QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

Water Boats in constant readiness to supply  
Ships with Pure Fresh Water.  
Sails made and repaired on the Premises.

BROWN, JONES & CO.,  
UNDERTAKERS.

MONUMENTS and HEAD-STONES  
ERECTED, in the Best Style.

LEAD and METALLIC COFFINS, on the  
Shortest Notice.

Apply to C. M. BROWNE,  
Hollywood Road, Corner of Aberdeen St.

WANTED by a YOUNG MAN, a situation  
as Clerk or Book-keeper. A nominal salary would be accepted, immediate employment being a greater object. Highest references can be given.

Address "R.", China Mail Office,  
Hongkong, December 27, 1867.

WANTED  
BY A Gentleman just arrived, a Situation  
as BOOK-KEEPER and ACCOUNTANT. Good shorthand writer; thoroughly understands Shipping and Insurance. Address "H. B. B." Office of this paper.  
Hongkong, January 18, 1868.

Payment for Postage Stamps must be made in the current Dollars of the Colony or Bank Notes.

F. W. MITCHELL,  
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office.  
Hongkong, March 12, 1868.

Intimations.

## SAILORS' HOME, WEST POINT.

The above Company is now prepared to LAND or SHIP Cargo in first class Lighters, and to take the entire discharge of Ships by Contract. Also to STORE Goods in first class Granite Godowns at moderate Rates.

J. S. HOOK, SON & CO.,  
Managers.

Hongkong, December 17, 1867.

AT the request of the Undersigned, Messrs GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., have taken temporary charge of the following Insurance Companies:—Phoenix Assurance Company. Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company. London and Provincial Marine Insurance Company. Universal Marine Insurance Company Limited.

SMITH, KENNEDY & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, July 2, 1867.

NAVY CONTRACTS, 1868-69.

SEALED TENDERS marked on the outside "Tender for Water," will be received by the Undersigned at or before Noon on SATURDAY, the 21st instant, for the supply of Water to H. M. Ships at this port, from 1st April 1868 to 31st March 1869.

Conditions of Contract can be seen and further particulars obtained on application at this office.

A. H. PRICE,  
Naval & Victualling Storekeeper.

Hongkong, Victualling Yard,  
5th March, 1868. 21mar

NAVY CONTRACTS, 1868-69.

SEALED TENDERS marked on the outside "Tender for Fresh Beef, &c.," will be received by the Undersigned at or before Noon on SATURDAY, the 21st instant, for the supply of the following Articles for the Navy Service, from the 1st April 1868 to 31st March 1869, viz:—

Biscuits, per lb., English weight.

Eat Bread, per lb., English weight.

Condiments of contract can be seen and further particulars obtained on application at this office.

A. H. PRICE,  
Naval & Victualling Storekeeper.

Hongkong, Victualling Yard,  
5th March, 1868. 21mar

NAVY CONTRACTS, 1868-69.

SEALED TENDERS marked on the outside "Tender for Fresh Beef, &c.," will be received by the Undersigned at or before Noon on SATURDAY, the 21st instant, for the supply of the following Articles for the use of the Victualling Department, from the 1st April 1868, to 31st March 1869, viz:—

Fresh Beef, per lb., English weight.

Vegetables, " "

Sugar, " "

Tea, " "

Raisins, " "

Rice, " "

Salt, " "

Oil, " "

Turnips, " "

Conditions of Contract can be seen and further particulars obtained on application at this office.

A. H. PRICE,  
Naval & Victualling Storekeeper.

Hongkong, March 5, 1868. 21mar

STAG HOTEL."

SITUATE IN QUEEN'S ROAD.

PERSONS and FAMILIES requiring Su-

perior Hotel Accommodation will find it at the above Establishment.

EDMUND R. HOLMES,  
Proprietor.

Hongkong, July 22, 1867.

W. P. MOORE

SHIPS' WORK

any description.

They have also erected a FOUNDRY on

the premises, and are prepared to execute

all kinds of IRON AND BRASS CASTINGS.

And hope that by a strict attention to

business and moderate charges, to merit a

share of the public patronage.

Hongkong, August 22, 1867.

C. L. VOLKMANN,  
Private Boarding Establishment.

20, HOLLYWOOD ROAD,  
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, January 7, 1868. 21mar

NOTICE.

RENTS and ACCOUNTS COLLECTED with

punctuality and despatch.

And,

DISTRAINT WARRANTS for Rent IS-

SUED and EXECUTED.

Security, if required.

THOS. W. BARRINGTON,  
53, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Agent

of this Company has been opened in

Macao, under the care of Messrs Margeson & Co., and that Captain Carroll has been appointed Surveyor for the Company at that Port.

Particular attention paid to setting Ra-

zon.

By order of the Court of Directors,  
JOHN S. MACKINTOSH,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 4, 1868. 21mar

NOTICE.

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## Notices to Consignees.

BRITISH SHIP "ELIZA," FROM CALCUTTA.  
TIME above vessel having arrived in the Harbour and being now ready to discharge Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their cargo.

Any cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed in terms of Charter Party, be landed and stored, as it comes to hand, at the Consignees' risk and expense.

OLYPHANT & Co.  
Hongkong, March 2, 1868.

## "MERCHANTMAN" FROM CALCUTTA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored by the Undersigned at Consignees' risk and expense.

The average bond is now required for signature at the Office of the Undersigned, Queen's Road, and Consignees are requested to sign the same as early as possible.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Hongkong, March 11, 1868.

"BELTED WILL" FROM LONDON.  
CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at the Consignees' risk and expense.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, February 24, 1868.

SHIP "CHINAMAN."  
THE above named vessel having arrived in Harbour, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature and take immediate delivery of their goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at owners' risk and expense.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, March 3, 1868.

"VIRGEN DEL CARMEN" FROM MANILA.

CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above-named Vessel, will please send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.  
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

THE following cases have been landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery.

Ex "Tigre," 6th December, 1867.  
1 Case Feathers.

Ex "Domingo," 7th January, 1868.  
RT 531 1 Case Paper.

Ex "Cambridge," 3rd February  
de Granoy 1 Case Boots.

Ex "Hoogly," 7th March.  
MB 19 pds. Sundries.

EJ 2 boxes Feathers.  
AS 1 c. Samples Cloth

Ths. de Carama, 1 Trunk.

C. BRITTRAND, Principal Agent.

Hongkong, March 9, 1868.

## Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.  
WE have this day established ourselves as GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS under the Style and Firm of B. S. BARNETT & Co.

A. A. ROSENTHAL,  
B. S. BARNETT,  
Saigon, February 6, 1868.

NOTICE.  
FROM and after this date, Captain J. C. SAUNDERS will undertake the business of my Marine Surveying at this port.

H. J. DRING,  
Marine Surveyor,  
Fochow, August 1, 1867.

NOTICE.  
WITH reference to the above, the business hitherto carried on by H. J. DRING, Esq. at Fochow will be conducted by the Undersigned.

J. C. SAUNDERS,  
Chop Min.,  
Payoda Anchorage,  
Fochow.

Fochow, August 1, 1867.

NOTICE.  
THE interest and responsibility of Mr. W. A. STRICKER in our Firm ceased yesterday by lapse of time.

BOYD & Co.

Amoy, January 1, 1868.

NOTICE.  
I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the Style and Firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.

GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.  
Saigon, December 20, 1867.

NOTICE.  
THE interest and responsibility of Mr. W. C. VAN OORDT in our Firm ceased on the 1st January, 1866.

ROSMAN & Co.  
Hongkong, November 19, 1867.

I have this day established myself as a General Commission Merchant under the style or firm of VAN OORDT & Co. (Sd.) W. C. VAN OORDT,  
Yokohama, October 24, 1867.

NOTICE.  
I R. RYLE HOLME has been admitted a partner in our Firm.

GLOVER & Co.  
Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

NOTICE.  
MR. J. MURRAY FORBES is authorized to sign our name at Canton from this date.

RUSSELL & Co.

China, February 15, 1868.

## Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.  
MR. THOMAS PYKE has this day been admitted a Partner in our Firm.

BIRLEY & Co.  
Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

NOTICE.  
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OLYPHANT & Co.

Hongkong, March 2, 1868.

## "MERCHANTMAN" FROM CALCUTTA.

Consignees of cargo by the above Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

The Business will future be carried on by Mr. Z. BARTON under the Name or Style of JAMESON & BARTON, as heretofore

JAMESON & BARTON.

Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

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## TATIONS:

Long, 14th March, 1868.	
Hongkong, New, Old,	\$700 830
shares, New, Old,	635 674
Liwa, ...	682
BOMBAY, ...	\$16 a 20
BENGAL, ...	13 a 18
Exchange, the eight, ...	4/14 4/2
3 days' sight, Ra. 215 a 218	
3 days' sight, Ra. 217 a 212	
3 days' sight, Bank, Tls. 72	
dwts. B., ...	114 per cent. pr.
... per cent. pr.	114 per cent. pr.
... per cent. pr.	114 per cent. pr.
touch, ...	23 65
reigns, ...	4.65 a 4.70
overages, ...	7
Shares, 40 per Share	
dock, Old, 14 per cent pr.	
New, 6 per cent pr.	
Shares, Old, 14 per cent pr.	
do. New, 25 ...	
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Temperature,	
one, 14th March, 1868.	
9 A.M. 3 P.M.	
... 30.054 29.986	
Barometer, 72. 74	
... 74.0 76.5	
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Rays, ... 131 —	
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above, ... 0.03 —	
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SERVICES ON SUNDAYS  
IN HONGKONG.  
CATHEDRAL.—Morning, 11  
A.M. W. R. Beach, M.A. Col-  
Afternoon 4 o'clock.—Rev.  
R.N.  
HIGH.—Minister, Rev. D. B.  
Morning Service, 11 A.M.; Even-  
ing Service, 6 P.M.; Evensong  
Service, 8 P.M.;—(Evening), "Death  
Lord."  
MRS. MASTERS' CHAPEL.—Rev.  
F. F. vice-president. In the morn-  
ing Mass; 6, 2nd Mass; 6, 30  
A.M.; 7, 3rd Mass; 8, High  
Mass in Portuguese; 9, 30,  
in the afternoon at 1, Sermon  
Evening, 5, Sermon in Portu-  
guese.  
The German language, by Far-  
mer, on every Sunday, at half  
in the Chapel of the Berlin  
use, West Point.  
HOME.—Evening Service, at  
W. R. Beach, M.A.

RESPONDENTS.  
are open to all who wish to  
use legitimate grounds, but  
it is ourselves responsible for the  
correspondence.  
Communications addressed to this paper  
will be accompanied by the name of the  
writer, or the name of the  
newspaper for publication, but not  
of good faith.

## CHINA MAIL.

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 1868.

WELLING REVENUE.  
The community is somewhat  
being "fitful" in its pub-  
and then, when some great  
uses public attention, meet  
held, speeches delivered, and  
spared; but after the tempo  
out, things go back into their  
channel, and the very subject  
the thoughts of all, save the  
to undertake the composition  
ent to be presented. Even  
Stamp Act, a measure the  
which we predicted would be  
the Home Government, the  
laziness which pervades all  
in Hongkong had already  
failure of the Anti-Stamp  
respective of the frivolity of  
us compared with the object  
and we are beginning, to fear  
men who so strenuously  
banning licenses have begun  
with the sentiment ver-  
passed in Scotland by "A  
them." Their first action  
been injudicious in its hasty  
proper organization, and  
actions of condemnation too  
they at least gave promise  
hostile to the idea of  
venue from gambling. But  
why? Riding, or gone on a  
sleeping? They are surely  
with the result at present  
which simply amounts, accord  
Excellency's declaration, to  
large amount of unavoidable  
and, the licenses being still  
on the old system, despite  
ons already received from  
the Colonial Government  
her instructions". So far as  
revenue is concerned, let  
and never rest till the  
one is removed from Hong  
question is so simply solved  
as of testing general opinion  
as we are at some loss to  
how it comes to pass that  
good for the month.  
honorable feeling, however  
to rest. The solution of  
the question is, to deduct  
count in hand the legitimate  
expenses incurred, and return  
it paid. No doubt the fare  
high to make many stand  
that return money to gam-

blers who have already profited to such  
an extent by a government blunder?"  
they will exclaim. Precisely so. The  
good name of Great Britain from Canton  
to Peking is of more importance than  
even \$200,000. And the blunder must  
be atoned for by just means, however  
humiliating to those who so misunder-  
stood British feeling as to imagine it  
would endorse our raising a revenue from  
a vice condemned by every native law.  
The means of gaining support and testing  
public opinion do not lie in merely  
writing letters either to the papers or the  
government. But in any case, let them  
bestir themselves. It may seem that  
we are speaking "roughly" to those who  
on many points think with us, but it is  
necessary to speak plainly and drop all  
diplomatic softening of bare facts. If  
our advice does no practical good, we at  
least shall not be charged with avoiding  
an outspoken utterance of our own  
opinion.

## TREES.

The residents of Hongkong will have  
noted with much pleasure, the improve-  
ment recently made in various public  
thoroughfares, as regards the planting  
and pruning of trees. The great influ-  
ence exerted by vegetation upon the  
conditions of human life has long since been  
satisfactorily demonstrated, and allusion  
to the modification in the health of the  
colony consequent upon the increase or  
decrease in the number of trees flourish-  
ing was made in the "Colonial Surgeon's  
recent report." It is possible that some  
readers may not be aware of the  
fact that if trees be planted where none  
previously existed in an arid country, an  
annual downfall of rain will commence  
and increase in proportion to their  
growth. An exemplification of this fact  
was afforded in a certain part of Egypt  
where for ages past no rain had been  
known to fall. A small plantation was  
laid out and during the second year the  
inhabitants were astonished and slightly  
alarmed at the unheeded but welcome  
visitation of a fall of rain. Since that  
period—some twenty years since, if we  
mistake not—the annual rainfall has  
had a perceptible yearly increase and the  
cause of the phenomenon has been satisfac-  
torily proved by experiments elsewhere  
to have been, the introduction of abo-  
reant vegetation.

It is however not merely in this re-  
spect that trees perform a sanitary function.  
Their leaves, especially those of some species found in this latitude, inhale  
a large amount of the carbonic acid gas  
which is constantly generated by human  
and animal respiration. This following  
quotation from Dr. Carpenter's Guide to  
Botany shews the effect ascribed to the  
"inspiration" of large trees?

Mr. Mary Holwell, Central Market, was  
yesterday knocked down and robbed of \$100  
and gold Albert chain by some Chinese.  
The scoundrels escaped, but Mrs. Holwell  
appeared at the Station this morning and  
charged two Chinese with having quietly  
looked on while the robbery was being  
committed.

We slip off the record from a recent number  
of the Church Times.—"It has been deter-  
mined by the Bishop of Calcutta and clergy  
in Convocation, to introduce "Hymns Ant-  
ient and Modern" into the churches of the  
Diocese." The Bishop of Victoria intends  
to understand, to do away with the  
vowines now used at the Cathedral. This  
differ!

CAPTAIN ARMSTRONG, of the British barque  
Magpie, which lately arrived at Singapore  
from Newcastle, reports having spoken on  
the 14th ult., the Hamburg barque Galatea,  
from Hongkong bound to New York, off  
the "Frederick Henry" shoal. Also ex-  
changed signals with a barque shewing 3rd  
Distinguishing Pendant 5002, from Shang-  
hai bound to Montreal, 21 days out; she  
described to be reported.—Straits Times.

ACCORDING to the latest news from the  
Mauritius, the fever which was supposed to  
have almost died out had reappeared, and  
for the last week an average of over fifteen  
patients a day had been admitted to the  
hospitals. On the 1st of January a hurri-  
cane, accompanied by a heavy fall of rain,  
visited the island, doing considerable damage  
to the sugar houses and huts on the  
plantations, and injuring the sugar portion  
of the crop. The lowest reading of the  
barometer at Port Louis during the storm  
was 29.012 inches, and the wind seems to  
have made an entire circuit of the compass.

We cannot therefore but rejoice at  
efforts being made which tend not only to  
the beautifying of the city but materially  
contribute to the health-maintaining pro-  
peries of a climate which is trying if  
not noxious, to European constitutions.

In some remarks upon the system of  
native education we, a short time since,  
referred to the importance attached by  
Chinese to an acquaintance with the  
native classics as a means of fulfilling the  
great desideratum, of writing an elegant  
epistle. The follow-up from an Imperial  
edict published in 1867 will add to the force of  
the observations we then made.

As regards officers on probation outside  
the metropolis, His Majesty has com-  
manded the Viceroys and Governors of the  
provinces under whose jurisdiction they are  
situated to examine them when their time  
has expired, on their knowledge of the laws  
of China and to appoint them a post in a  
duly of sparsely populated part of the  
Empire according to their capabilities. In  
the event of their being found ignorant of  
the laws and unable to write a despatch in  
the proper way, His Majesty commands that  
they be rightly set aside from the per-  
formance of official duties, and that no favor  
be shown to anyone in particular.

From the date of this order let all officers  
both within and without the capital take  
to direct their subordinates to study  
the laws that they may be able to judge  
equitably any cases, which may come before  
them, and that their clerks and writers be not  
allowed to have it all their own way and so  
overturn the ends of justice. The renewals  
of improprieties will thus be prevented, and  
justice be systematically administered. Let  
this edict be promulgated throughout the  
Empire. Respect this.

This is sufficient proof of the immense  
importance attached to the art of writing  
with elegance and ease.

## LOCAL.

By the arrival of the "Aviation Appear" we  
learn that the Revere has broken her shaft  
and is consequently detained for repairs at  
Calcutta. Among the persons and freight  
on board of her at the time were the mem-  
bers and properties of the great World  
Circus. They are coming on, we under-  
stand, in the Nodda, and may be expected  
in about a week. The Circus is an unusually  
extensive one, and the inconvenience  
caused by the delay is proportionately  
great.

We learn that H. M. Gun-vessel Algeria  
arrived safely off the island of Hainan in  
the beginning of February, and after landing  
Mr. Swinhoe, H. M.'s Consul from  
Amoy, at the city of Kung-chow, proceeded  
again to sea in search of some piratical  
junks, which were reported as having been  
seen outside. On her return from that  
cruise she would re-embark Mr. Swinhoe,  
who in the meanwhile, would prosecute  
his explorations in the interior.

## VICTORIA REGATTA CLUB.

The scratch four-oared race this evening  
was won by Blue Bell by nearly two lengths.  
A good race between Ariel and Violet for  
second place resulted in favor of Ariel. A  
pretty large number of spectators were pre-  
sent, both ashore and afloat. We under-  
stand that another scratch four-oared race  
will be rowed next week.

MADAME de Ponti and Signora Reina and  
Pizzoli, who are now well known here, gave  
a very fair representation of Lucia de  
Lammermoor at the Asiatic last night. It  
deserved a better attendance, although the  
audience was appreciative and encouraging  
enough, and the evening was a very pleasant  
one. Signora de Ponti's singing is very  
much in the same style as that of Madame  
Bouche; and with the voices of the tenor and  
baritone, a lively remembrance of the  
operatic nights of last season is recalled to  
the minds of the listener of the above-  
named trio.

## TO-DAY'S POLICE.

Lee Asai, an unemployed cook of West  
Point notoriety, was convicted of having  
stolen two bed-quilts from his lands.

It having been represented by Inspector  
Payne that the prisoner had been in Gaol  
before, and a false tal, having been produced,  
by his Worship (Mr. May) sentenced him to  
imprisonment for six months, and ordered  
him to find security after that period. He  
was a man, according to the Magistrate,  
peculiarly fitted for deportation.

Another Chinaman was sent to Gaol for  
three months with hard labor, and ordered  
to find security for six months thereafter  
for having been found in unlawful posses-  
sion of certain pawn-tickets. Prisoner is  
another of the somewhat numerous class  
subjected to deportation. Could not some  
arrangement be come to with this class and  
the Macao shippers of coolies?

Mr. Mary Holwell, Central Market, was  
yesterday knocked down and robbed of \$100  
and gold Albert chain by some Chinese.  
The scoundrels escaped, but Mrs. Holwell  
appeared at the Station this morning and  
charged two Chinese with having quietly  
looked on while the robbery was being  
committed.

We slip off the record from a recent number  
of the Church Times.—"It has been deter-  
mined by the Bishop of Calcutta and clergy  
in Convocation, to introduce "Hymns Ant-  
ient and Modern" into the churches of the  
Diocese." The Bishop of Victoria intends  
to understand, to do away with the  
vowines now used at the Cathedral. This  
differ!

CAPTAIN ARMSTRONG, of the British barque  
Magpie, which lately arrived at Singapore  
from Newcastle, reports having spoken on  
the 14th ult., the Hamburg barque Galatea,  
from Hongkong bound to New York, off  
the "Frederick Henry" shoal. Also ex-  
changed signals with a barque shewing 3rd  
Distinguishing Pendant 5002, from Shang-  
hai bound to Montreal, 21 days out; she  
described to be reported.—Straits Times.

ACCORDING to the latest news from the  
Mauritius, the fever which was supposed to  
have almost died out had reappeared, and  
for the last week an average of over fifteen  
patients a day had been admitted to the  
hospitals. On the 1st of January a hurri-  
cane, accompanied by a heavy fall of rain,  
visited the island, doing considerable damage  
to the sugar houses and huts on the  
plantations, and injuring the sugar portion  
of the crop. The lowest reading of the  
barometer at Port Louis during the storm  
was 29.012 inches, and the wind seems to  
have made an entire circuit of the compass.

We cannot therefore but rejoice at  
efforts being made which tend not only to  
the beautifying of the city but materially  
contribute to the health-maintaining pro-  
peries of a climate which is trying if  
not noxious, to European constitutions.

## LATEST FROM ABYSSINIA.

Sunday, 2nd February.—Comptroller-in-  
Chief at Head Quarters Starts for Abyssinia  
on the 4th, for which place the wings of the  
3rd and 5th Punjabis are now en route.

The condition of Earl Derby excites serious  
uneasiness.—In the House of Commons  
yesterday, Sir Stafford Northcote stated  
that the Government of Egypt had afforded  
every facility to the Abyssinian Expedition.  
Sir Stafford also said that on recent  
movements of the Egyptian Government  
indicating an intention to send troops into  
Abyssinia, representations had been made  
to the Viceroy of Egypt, who had decided  
that the reinforcements were exaggerated;

but promised to recall a portion.—Sir

Stafford also stated that no information  
had been given to the alleged advance of  
the Egyptian troops; nor of the arrival  
of Theodore at Magdala. He also stated  
that the amount of monthly freight [of  
vessels employed in the expedition] was  
exaggerated.

## A CHINESE CEREMONY.

Our Whampoa correspondent gives us  
the following account of a Chinese official  
ceremony at Canton:

On Friday, the 6th instant, the Governor  
of Canton deplored an Official to the  
Polo Mew, or Temple, for the purpose  
of offering to the idol of Hsing-  
sing, the God of the Southern Ocean, the  
usual annual sacrifices of goats and swine.

As the State Temple, to which I allude, is

not more than 3 miles from this place, some  
of the foreigners, who reside here, were  
induced to be present at the celebration of

the festivities attendant on this occasion.

Sacrifices to the God in question, being  
presented at this season only, vast numbers

of Chinese were as a matter of course

attracted thither. All the approaches to

the Temple were thronged with stalls of

all kinds, upon several of which were ex-  
hibited representations of Roosters of all sizes.

These paste-board

birds (or of such a material are they made)

were bought in large numbers by the  
Chinese, who, in their opinion, are

not fit to be sold as articles of

luxury.

It is reported that Colonial Durie, of the

33rd, has been killed whilst out shooting in

Abyssinia.

A COMPLIMENT.—The Boston Transcript

says of a long list of thieves of New York

city, lately published in one of the papers

of that city, that "the inconstancies of

these individuals are greater than

those of the most notorious criminals in

the world."

Conspicuous amongst the thousands of





## Miscellaneous.

## CONSULAR NOTIFICATION.

BRITISH CONSULATE,  
CANTON, March 9th, 1868.  
At the request of Sr. Don Manuel de Colarte, Her Catholic Majesty's Vice Consul at Canton, the undersigned has the honour to give notice that by a Royal Decree signed at Madrid on the 12th December last, the Merchandise, Implements, &c., set forth in the accompanying Schedules are now admitted free of all duty on importation in the Philippine Islands and the Island of Puerto Rico, as respectively specified in the Schedules. This abrogation of import duty is granted irrespective of the flag under which the merchandise in question may be carried, as also of the locality whence it is exported.

W.M. FREDK. MAYERS,  
Vice Consul in charge.  
To the British Community, Canton.

[Translation.]  
SCHEDULE I.—Alimentary substances and agricultural implements declared duty free on importation into the Philippine Islands and the Island of Puerto Rico, in conformity with the terms of the Royal Decree dated this day.

1.—Oil (for alimentary use), packages included.  
2.—Rice, packages included.  
3.—Salted Cod.  
4.—Meats, salted or smoked Beef, Mutton, or Pork, Ham, and Venison.  
5.—Pork.  
6.—Grain, Vegetables and Seeds, such as Oats, Rice, Beans (*azukiwa*), Maize, Lentils, and the like.  
7.—Flour, of Wheat or other cereals, packages included.  
8.—Fresh Vegetables, Garlic, Onions, Potatoes, and the like.  
9.—Butter and Lard.  
10.—Starch, for alimentary purposes.  
11.—Fish, dried, salted, smoked, and in pickle or brine; and salted Sardines.  
12.—Jerked Beef.  
13.—Salt Pork and Bacon.  
14.—Wheat.  
15.—Live Stock.  
16.—Cattle, Horses, Mules, Asses, Sheep, Oxen, Swine, and Caraboo (a kind of cattle).  
17.—Trees, Plants and Seeds for plantations and seedling.  
18.—Coal, mineral and vegetable.  
19.—Live Fish.

Madrid, December 10th, 1867.  
Approved by Her Majesty.  
(Signed) MARFORT.  
True Copy.  
(Signed) MANUEL DE COLARTE.

SCHEDULE II.—Fertilizers and Implements for agriculture, handicraft, manufactures, and cultivation declared duty free on importation into Puerto Rico by Royal Decree dated this day.

1.—Guano, and natural and artificial manures of all kinds.  
2.—Machinery and all kinds of implements and mechanical instruments imported for agricultural use.  
3.—Machinery of all kinds for the cultivation of the sugar-cane, employment in sugar mills, &c.  
4.—Machinery and implements particularly intended for the industrial development of the cultivation of Cacao, Coffee, and Cotton.  
5.—Machinery particularly devoted to the opening of Artesian wells.  
6.—Mills for the pounding of Rice and preparation of Maize.

Madrid, December 10th, 1867.  
Approved by Her Majesty.  
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## Houses and Lands.

TO LET  
THOSE centrally situated PREMISES in Peel Street close to the Queen's Road, known as the "Argus" Hotel containing 10 Rooms, &c. Rent moderate.  
Apply to THOS. W. BARRINGTON,  
63, Wyndham Street.  
Hongkong, March 3, 1868. 17mar

TO LET  
THE upper portion of House No. 29, Queen's Road, lately occupied by Dr. Henderson, with godown, off-rooms and stable &c., immediate possession. Apply to T. W. BARRINGTON,  
63, Wyndham Street.  
Hongkong, March 3, 1868. 17mar

TO LET  
THE Premises situated in Queen's Road, Stanley Street, and at present occupied by Messrs H. MARSH & Co.

For particulars, apply to LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co  
Hongkong, 5th September, 1867.

TO LET  
A SHOP, situated in the best part of the Queen's Road, with Show Cases and Fittings complete.

N.B.—Two First Floor Rooms can be had with above, if required.  
Address "Z," care of Hongkong Dispensary.  
Hongkong, November 28, 1867.

LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.  
THE Undersigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise, in their own Boats, and to receive the same on STORAGE in First-class Granite godowns, on Moderate Terms.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.

Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

TO LET  
THE HOUSE No. 8 in Seymour Terrace, commanding a good view of the Harbour, contains 4 Rooms and Out Houses, now occupied by W. H. ARMSTRONG, Esq.

Apply to DAVID SASOON SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, March 2, 1868.

TO LET  
THE OFFICE and GODOWN situated at the corner of Wellington and Aberdeen Streets, and at present in the occupation of Messrs ELMENHORST & SANDERS.

For particulars, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.  
Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

TO LET  
NO. 8, PECHILI TERRACE,  
Elgin Street.

Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, January 24, 1868.

TO BE LET  
Furnished or Unfurnished.

THE Dwelling HOUSE in the Albany at present occupied by Mr N. R. MASSON. Occupation can be had in a few weeks. Application can be made to Mr MASSON at the Albany.

Hongkong, September 25, 1867.

TO LET  
THE PREMISES situated at Feeder's Wharf, lately occupied by Messrs AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. Possession can be taken on the 1st of January 1868.

For further particulars, apply to THOS. HUNT & Co.  
Hongkong, December 30, 1867.

TO BE LET  
TWO New and Strong GODOWNS on Marine Lot No. 63.

Apply to GAVIN THOMPSON,  
at Gibb, Livingston & Co.'s  
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

TO BE LET  
A HOUSE in Queen's Road, commanding a good view of the Harbour from the North side. The House contains eight good Rooms with Bath Rooms, Verandahs, front and back, Kitchens, Servants' Rooms and Godowns on ground floor.

Apply to TURNER & Co.  
Hongkong, February 8, 1868.

TO LET  
TWO HOUSES on Carlton Terrace, Spring Gardens, with or without Godowns, rent moderate.

Apply to LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.  
Hongkong, 5th September, 1867.

TO LET  
A LARGE ROOM fronting the Queen's Road, suitable for either an Office or a Shop.

Apply at the MEDICAL HALL,  
Queen's Road.

Hongkong, September 20, 1867.

TO LET  
THOSE two convenient centrally situated HOUSES Nos. 1 and 2, Old Bailey Street, corner of Hollywood Road.

Terms moderate.

Apply to THOS. W. BARRINGTON,  
63, Wyndham St.

Hongkong, February 23, 1868. 22mar

TO LET  
AN OFFICE with Godown and Comprador's Room.

Apply to MELOHERS & Co.  
Hongkong, October 1, 1866.

TO LET  
N.O. 6, Pechili Terrace, Elgin Street.

Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, February 3, 1868.

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For particulars, apply to CHARLES RIVINGTON,  
At Messrs LANDSTEIN & Co.'s Office,  
Stanley Street.

Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

TO LET  
FOUR Large ROOMS on Second Floor above the Office of the Undersigned, 44, Queen's Road, at present occupied by Messrs C. Hock & Co. Possession can be taken on the 1st of January, 1868.

For Terms, &c., apply to G. DUBOST & Co.  
Hongkong, November 6, 1867.

TO LET  
THE extensive and eligible PREMISES, Corner of Hollywood Road and Shelley Street, lately in the occupation of H. M.'s Government.

Apply to DAVID SASOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, September 4, 1867.

## Chinese Advertisements.

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